

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

:

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: EXAMINER: M. WILSON

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FOR: ALTERED ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN FOR HIV VACCINE AND

TREATMENT OF PATIENTS WITH HIV INFECTION

RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 13, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified allocation in view of the executed Rule 132 Declaration of Dr. Danuta Kozbor submitted herewith, the executed Rule 132 Declaration of Dr. Srinivasan submitted previously in this application, and the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

The text of the pending claims, i.e., Claims 14, 15, 19 and 21-36, is presented in the **Appendix** attached hereto.